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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of )  
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Application No.: Not Yet Assigned ) Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
(Corresponds to PCT/JP99/01422)  
Filed: November 18, 1999  
For: NF- $\kappa$ B INHIBITOR COMPRISING )  
PHENYLMETHYL )  
BENZOQUINONE AS AN ACTIVE )  
INGREDIENT )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**BOX PCT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

Claim 2, lines 1 and 2, delete "in which" and insert --wherein--;

Claim 3, lines 1 and 2, delete "or 2 in which" and insert --wherein--;

Claim 4, lines 1 and 2, delete ", 2, or 3 in which" and insert --wherein--;

Claim 5, lines 1 and 2, delete ", 2, or 3 in which" and insert --wherein--;